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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Koji ARIHARA

Title:

TILT ADJUSTABLE STEERING

COLUMN ASSEMBLY

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- [] Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.
 - [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

| | Claims | | | | | - | | |
|---------------|---------|---|------------|---|---------|---|-----------|------------|
| | As | | Previously | | Claims | | | Additional |
| | Amended | | Paid For | | Present | | Rate | Claims Fee |
| Total Claims: | 9 | - | 20 | = | 0 | х | \$50.00 = | \$0.00 |

| Independent Claims: | 1 | _ | 3 | = | 0 | x | \$200.00 | = | \$0.00 |
|--|---|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|------|------------|-------------|--------|
| First pro | esentation | of any | Multiple | e Depende | ent Claims: | + | \$360.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | CLAIMS | FEI | E TOTAL | = | \$0.00 |
| [] Applicant he | | | | | ime under 3 | 7 C. | F.R. §1.13 | 6(a) fo | or the |
| [] Extension for r | esponse | filed wit | hin the | first mont | h: | | \$120.00 | | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for a |] Extension for response filed within the second month: | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for r | Extension for response filed within the third month: \$1,00 | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for r |] Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for r | esponse | filed wit | hin the 1 | fifth mont | h: | \$ | 2,160.00 | | \$0.00 |
| | TOTAL: | | \$0.00 | | | | | | |
| [] Statutory Disc | laimer Fe | e under | 37 C.F. | R. 1.20(d |): | | \$130.00 | | \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL: | | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| [] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Extension Fees Previously Paid: | | | | | | | ısly Paid: | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | | | | | | | | \$0.00 |

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 6, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: